

NEWS RELEASE

Town of Culpeper 400 S. Main Street Culpeper, VA 22701

December 10, 2015

R/R Re: Ordinance No. O-2015-014, Amending Chapter 4 of the Town Code, relating to the Virginia Maintenance Code

At their regularly scheduled January 12, 2016 meeting, Town Council will hold their second reading and discuss the potential adoption of the remaining sections of the Virginia Maintenance Code. On February 12, 2013, Council adopted Ordinance No. O-2013-003 amending the Town Code to include only the following portions of the Virginia Maintenance Code: Sections 104 (Enforcement), 105 (Unsafe Structures or Structures Unfit for Human Occupancy), and 106 (Appeals). By adopting the remaining sections of the Virginia Maintenance Code, it would provide the Town the ability to address additional concerns regarding blight and minimum standards for living conditions.

The complete Virginia Maintenance Code can be viewed online at the following link: http://codes.iccsafe.org/app/book/toc/2012 VA Maintenance code/index.html

If the Town Council chooses to adopt the remaining portions of the Virginia Maintenance Code, the following Guidance Document has been developed to guide staff in the enforcement of the adopted maintenance code to insure a fair and measured approach is taken. (link to PDF file of Guidance document)

http://culpeperva.gov/Documents/MaintenanceCodeGuidanceDocument.pdf